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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT: Assistance to Senate Internal Security Subcommittee on Soviet Forged Documents

1. This memorandum contains a recommendation for approval of the Director of Central Intelligence. Such recommendation is contained in paragraph 4.

2. Late last week Mr. Jay Sourwine, Chief Counsel for the Senate Internal Security Subcommittee, inquired informally if the Agency could be of any assistance in providing material concerning Soviet activities in forging various public documents attributable to other countries. Sourwine's hope was that we had appropriate material and could provide a witness to develop the subject in an executive session with a subsequent release of the testimony. Mr. Sourwine will, of course, conduct such an exercise with whatever restrictions we place on it. He was advised we would look into the matter and be back in touch with him.

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3. I have discussed this question with [redacted] After consultation with Mr. Helms, [redacted] advises there is considerable material available on this subject. A great deal of it is unclassified and, in fact, some of it has been made available on a nonattributable basis [redacted] Mr. Helms and [redacted] feel it would be in the interests of the U. S. to get material of this type before the public and urge that we cooperate with the Internal Security Subcommittee on this. Mr. Helms has offered to be the witness if you so desire. On the other hand, you may wish to consider other witnesses, possibly General Cabell.

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STAT 4. I recommend that we go ahead with this project. If you approve, I shall work with in making the arrangements including whatever witness you might designate.

of J. S. Warner

JOHN S. WARNER
Legislative Counsel

The recommendation in
paragraph 4 is approved.

SIGNED

ALLEN W. DULLES
Director

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of course available, I
believe Helms would be an
excellent witness.

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